

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED REAPPOINTMENT OF  
HONORABLE MILDRED E. METHVIN  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
LAFAYETTE-OPELOUSAS DIVISION

The current term of the office of the United States Magistrate Judge Mildred E. Methvin is due to expire on June 11, 2007. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight-year term.

The duties of the magistrate judge position include the following: (1) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the court and should be directed to:

Mr. Donald Washington, Chairman  
United States Attorney  
800 Lafayette St., Suite 2200  
Lafayette, La 70501

Comments must be received no later than March 2, 2007.

